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INT'L ACTIVITY

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SUMMARY: RECENT MADRID VISIT OF SWEDISH SOCIALIST DELEGATION

HAS BOOSTED STOCK OF HOSTS, I.E., SPANISH SOCIALIST PSOE AND

UGT, AS HAVE RECENT PSOE LEADER'S VISIT TO SWEDEN AND PSOE

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INVITATIONS TO FRANCOIS MITTERAND, WILLY BRANDT, AND
OTHER FOREIGN SOCIALISTS TO VISIT SPAIN. CURRENT RESURGENCE
PSOE AND UGT INT'L ACTIVITY ALSO REPRESENTS EFFORT
TO COUNTER WELL-PUBLICIZED INT'L ACTIVITY OF COMMUNIST-
MANIPULATED JUNTADEMOCRATICA. END SUMMARY

1. FROM APRIL 7-10, SWEDISH SOCIALIST DELEGATION RETURNING
FROM PORTUGAL, INCLUDING STENN ANDERSON, SECGEN SWEDISH
SOCIALIST PARTY, TRADE UNIONISTS RUNE MOLIN AND GOREN
AXEL, AND PIERRE SCHORRI, SEC OF PRIMIN OLAF PALME,
VISIT SPAIN AT INVITATION OF CLANDESTINE SPANISH PSOE
SOCIALIST PARTY AND AFFILVCHKD UGT TRADE UNION. DELEGATION
CONFERRRED WITH PSOE AND UGT LEADERS AND GAVE PRESS
CONFERENCE STATING ONLY PURPOSE VISIT WAS STRENGTHEN
TIES WITH SPANISH SOCIALISTS. THEY HAD NO CONTACTS WITH
SPANISH OFFICIALS NOR MOST OTHER CLANDESTINE GROUPS (.6?;-)
OSP SOCIALIST OF PROFESSOR TIERNO GALVAN SOUGHT CONTACT
BUT WERE ONLY ABLE HAVE A PSP LEADER MEET PRIVATELY
WITH SWEDISH SOCIALIST JOURNALIST IN DELEGATION AFTER REST
OF DELEGATION HADD DEPARTED).

2. VISIT WAS IN RETURN FOR VISIT PSOE'S FIRST SECY FELIPE
GONZALEZ MADE TO SWEDEN LATER MARCH, DURING WHICH GONZALEZ
ATTENDED SWEDISH SOCIALIST CONGRESS, WAS INTERVIEWED SWEDISH
RADIO, AND HELD TALKS REPORTEDLY INCLUDING ONE WITH OLAF
PALME HIMSELF. VISITS REPORTEDLY RESULTECD IN SWEDISH
PROMISES OF SUPPORT AND FURTHER CONTACTS FOR PSOE AND UGT.
RECENTLY, PSOE AND UGT "YOUNG TURK" LEADERS HAVE
SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED INT'L ACTIVITY AND EXPOSURE.
("YOUNG TURK" PSOE IS RECOGNIZED AS ONLY LEGITIMATE
SPANISH SOCIALIST PARTY BY SOCIALIST INTERNATIONAL,
WHILE UGT IS MEMBER OF ICFTU AND ETUC.) GONZALEZ ALSO
TRAVELED TO MEXICO IN FEB WHERE, INTER ALIA, HE
INTERVIEWED MEXICAN PRESIDENT ECHEVERRIA.

3. LATEST ASPECT PSOE'S INT'L ACTIVITY WAS ANNOUNCEMENT
THAT FRENCH SOCIALIST LEADER FRANCOIS MITTERAND HAS
ACCEPTED GONZALEZ INVITATION TO VISIT SPAIN IN LATE MAY.
PSOE ALSO REPORTEDLY ATTEMPTED WITHOUT SUCCESS TO BECOME
INVOLVED IN RECENT VISIT OF FRG FONMIN GENSCHER. DESPITE
FACT GERMAN SPD AND DGB HAVE LONG BEEN PRINCIPAL FOREIGN
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SUPPORTERS OF PSOE AND UGT, FRG YIELDED TO GOS WISHES THAT
GENSCHER NOT MEET WITH ILLEGAL OPPOSITION GROUPS.

4. UGT/PSOE LEADER PABLO CASTELLANO TOLD LABATT PSOE
HAS ALSO INVITED GERMANY'S WILLY BRANDT, ITALY'S DE MARTINO,
AND FRANCE'S REGIS DEBRAY TO VISIT SPAIN AS PSOE GUESTS ON
DIFFERENT OCCASIONS IN COMING MONTHS AND HAS RECEIVED

ACCEPTANCES IN PRINCIPLE. CASTELLANO ALSO SAID THAT, IN GESTURE COMPARABLE TO RECENT MANEUVER OF COMMUNIST INSPIRED JUNTA DEMOCRATICA (REF B), HE WILL TRAVEL TO STRASBOURG APRIL 24 WITH A UGT DELEGATION WHERE EEC COMMISSIONER SPINELLI HAS AGREED TO RECEIVE THEM.

5. COMMENT: RESURGENCE OF ACTIVITY HAS GIVEN PSOE AND UGT NEED D INT'L EXPOSURE AND REFLECTS FACT THAT "YOUNG TURK" COLLEGIAL LEADERSHIP, WHICH OUSTED "OLD GUARD" EXILE LEADERSHIP IN FRANCE TWO YEARS AGO, HAVE TRANSFO
PD
PSOE/UGT INTO DYNAMIC SOCIALIST PARTY AND TRADE UNION WHICH STARTING GIVE SPANISH COMMUNIST PARTY (PCE) REAL COMPETITION. PSOE /UGT RENEWED ACTIVITY SHOULD ALSO BE INTERPRETED AS AN EFFORT TO COUNTER RECENT WELL-PUBLICIZED INT'L ACTIVITY OF JUNTA DEMOCRATICA COALITION. PSOE/UGT DEMONSTRATION STHAT IT IS SUPPORTED BY FOREIGN SOCIALISTS SUCH AS SWEEDES, FRENCH, AND GERMANS IS HELPING BOLSTER PSOE/UGT'S POSITION VIS-A-VIS JUNTA.

6. MOST THREATENED BY PSOE/UGT ACTIVITY IS RIVAL PSP OF TIENO GALVAN, WHICH ENJOYS SOME INT'L STANDING AS PRINCIPAL NON-COMMUNIST GROUP IN JUNTA DEMOCRATICA. PSOE SPONSORSHIP OF VISITS OF SWEDES AND MITTERAND HAS INTEN- SIFIED HOSTILITY. TIENO, IN EFFORT DISSUADE MITTERAND FROM VISITING SPAIN AS PSOE GUEST AND TO TAKE ADVANTAGE FRENCH SOCIALIST LEADER'S PREOCCUPATION HIS RELATIONSHIP TO FRENCH COMMUNISTS, PUBLICLY SUGGESTED MITTERAND VISIT WOULD BE INOPPORTUNE AND WOULD XEFVE INTERESTS OF GOS.

7. SHOULD MITTERAND COME, HE REPORTEDLY WOULD MEET ONLY PSOE LEADERS. ALTTNGH UNENTHUSIASTIC, GOS WOULD PROBABLY NOT TRY TO IMPEDE MITTERAND VISIT BECAUSE OF CONCERN FOR RELATIONS WITH FRANCE. DUE
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PREMATURE PSOE DISCLOSURE AND FOR OTHER REASONS HOWEVER, MITTERAND'S VISIT APPEARS UNCERTAIN.

8. SOME ALLEGE THAT PSOE/UGT MAY NOW BE BENEFITING FROM GOS TOLERANCE BECAUSE THEY ARE PRINCIPAL OPPONENTS OF COMMUNISTS AND JUNTA DECOCRATICA. PSOE AND UGT, HOWEVER, REMAIN OPPOSED TO FRANCO REGIME, AND ALLEGATIONS MAY REPRESENT SMEAR TACTICS BY SPS, PCE, AND OTHERS IN JUNTA DEMOCRATICA TO COUNTERACT ATTENTION PSOE/UGT NOW RECEIVING.
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